





International conference & B2B

Challenges and Opportunities for Railway Companies and Suppliers in the Post Covid Period

Ljubljana, 30 June 2022

Venue: Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia, Dimičeva 13, Ljubljana

In cooperation with the international partners **Rail Target** (Czech Republic), **Railway Cluster for South-East Europe** (Serbia) and **SPIRIT Slovenia Public Agency**, we are organising a business conference on the challenges and opportunities in the **railway sector** in the region SEE as well as in other systems and markets (Central Europe, UK, Norway, USA, Canada).

The event will take place on **Thursday 30 June 2022 at 9.30 am** at the **Chamber of Commerce and Industry**, Dimičeva 13, Ljubljana.

Entrepreneurial research and innovative networks and platforms for the development of rail transport, infrastructure and business cooperation will be presented:

- Railway Cluster for South-East Europe (RCSEE) brings together 55 members from 12 countries and is primarily intended to support investors and suppliers in the region of the former Yugoslavia. (www.rcsee.org)
- **Rail Target** is one of the leading railway media in Central and Eastern Europe, organizer and partner of many international railway events throughout Europe. (<u>www.railtarget.eu/</u>)
- Rail Alliance from the UK is the largest global railway cluster and the carrier of advanced railway technologies worldwide (<u>https://railalliance.co.uk/</u>) and BCRRE is the main research/education centre for railways in the UK (<u>www.birmingham.ac.uk/research/railway/index.aspx</u>).
- **DITECFER** is one of the leading rail technology clusters in Europe, based in Tuscany, Italy. (www.ditecfer.eu/en/)

The organisers announce the participation of companies and institutions from Slovenia, Serbia, Northern Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland, Hungary, the United Kingdom, Germany, Italy and Austria.

After the presentation of opportunities and platforms for exchange and cooperation, the participants of the business event will establish contacts through **networking and B2Bs**.

We invite you to **join the business conference and B2B** and explore the opportunities for building new business relationships and joint projects in the field of railway infrastructure.

There is **no registration fee**.

Lists of **SLOVENIAN participants** and **FOREIGN participants**.

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA: *

9.00 - 9.30	Registration for the conference, hall A lobby (1st Floor)
9.30 - 9.45	 The introductory part of the conference - short introductory address to the participants: Robert Sever, Transport Association – CCIS Mr. Dragoljub Rajic, director of Rail Cluster for SouthEast Europe Mgr. Alice Houserová, Editor in Chief of RAILTARGET
9.45 - 11.30	Conference presentations:
	SPIRIT, Ms. Andreja Mulec Bohinc - Doing business in Slovenia
	Slovenian Railways, Franc Klobučar, Assistant Director of SŽ-Infrastruktura - Railway network and actual rail projects in Slovenia
	 DITECFER, Ms. Veronica Elena Bocci, Coordinator DITECFER S.c.a.r.L S-ACCESS project – Support for European rail suppliers for entering US, Canada and Norway market STARS project – Support for SMEs in creating and developing advanced rail technologies and innovations
	 BCRRE/Vanguard STS, Mr. Alexander Burrows, Director of Enterprise and Innovation of Birmingham Centre for Railway Research and Education & Chief Executive Officer of Vanguard Sustainable Transport Solutions Ltd. Introduction of SEERRIN (Southeast Europe Railway & Innovation Network) as a base for collaboration of UK and SEE region companies presentation of main railway projects in UK (High Speed 2, Crossrail)
	Elpa d.o.o, Gorazd Reberšark, Commercial Manager - Innovation for railway industry
	 MIND Park/MIND Industries Group, Mr. Aleksandar Djokic, Key Account Manager First SEE hub for rail producers/suppliers integrating manufacturing, innovation, workforce and infrastructure
	Rail Cluster for SouthEast Europe, Mr. Marko Radovic, Communication & Project Manager - International and regional activities of RCSEE

11.30 - 12.15	Catering break
12.15 - 14.00	B2B meetings of conference participants
14.00 -	The end of the conference

* The event is held in **English**, B2Bs in the language of your choice, translation is not provided

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